

Status Summary Table of EPA Title VI Administrative Complaints (4/15/05)

Table 1: Title VI Complaints by Status Category/subcategory		Number (159 Total)	Percent	Explanation
Pending	Under review for possible investigation/rejection/referral	20	13%	Complaints received by EPA, but for which no decision has yet been made to either reject, accept for investigation, or refer to another federal agency. Includes complaints listed with “clarification requested” status.
	Accepted for investigation	15	09%	Complaints which met the regulatory requirements for an investigation (40 C.F.R. Part 7) and were accepted for investigation.
	Total Pending	35	22%	Complaints accepted for investigation <u>plus</u> the number of complaints under review for possible investigation.
Closed	Rejected for investigation	86	54%	Complaints received by EPA, but not accepted for investigation because they did not meet the regulatory requirements (40 C.F.R. Part 7) (e.g., no recipient of EPA financial assistance; complaint filed more than 180 days after the alleged discriminatory act). (See Table 2 for more information)
	Informally resolved	11	07%	Accepted complaints which have reached a resolution by informal voluntary negotiations, including Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR).
	Dismissed after acceptance	24	15%	Complaints accepted for investigation, but later dismissed and the file closed. Excludes informally resolved complaints. (See Table 3 for more information.)
	Referral to another federal agency	03	2%	Complaints received by EPA, but not accepted for investigation because another federal agency has jurisdiction over the issues described in the complaint.
	Total Closed	124	78%	Note: OCR applies regulatory requirements to each allegation in a complaint. Those allegations not meeting requirements will be rejected. However, if any allegation is accepted for investigation, the complaint is represented in the tally here as accepted.

Table 2: Reasons for Rejection of Complaints	Number
No recipient of EPA financial assistance involved	33
Insufficient allegations to constitute a complaint	20
Filed after expiration of 180 day deadline	25
Allegations unsupported by facts	4
Already in court litigation	9
Moot (challenged permit expired or w/drawn)	12
Note: Some complaints were rejected for more than one reason.	

Table 3: Reasons for Dismissal of Complaints*	Number
Permit application withdrawn	1
Permit denied/Appeals exhausted	3
Permit application inactive	1
No adverse impact found	7
No disparity found	1
Moot	1
No factual support	1
No intentional discrimination found	2
Complaint withdrawn by complainant	7
Total	24
(*Excludes informally resolved complaints)	